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# CREST OF FLOOD REACHES MEMPHIS

## SHELBY COUNTY TEACHERS WILL

County Court, by Unanimous Vote, Pledges Sufficient Tax to Meet New Salary

Cheers Greet Verdict.

There hever has been just such a scene witnessed in the county court as that following the vote on "Squire Strong's" resolution. Cheers and applause lasted for several missites. Then Miss Charl Williams, county superintendent, thanked the court, and introduced in turn, several county, city and state officials, who expressed their gradification at the action of the court. Albert Williams, state superintendent, of education, said that the action of the Shelby county court will be heralded throughout the state and will be of the most important influence in the other counties.

Among those who spoke were Miss Ruby Batte, principal of Messick school, and chairman of the teachers' committee; Mrs. E. W. Hale, representing the federation of parent-teacher associations; J. E. Holmes and A. L. Parker, for the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce; J. L. Powell, president of the county board of education; Mayor Rowlett Paine, Mrs. L. W. Hughes, former county superintendent; Hardwig Peres, chalfman of the

W. Hughes, former county superintendent; Hardwig Peres, chairman of the city board of education, and the Rev. C. H. Williamson, who, after an eloquent address, led the audience in singing America.

COUNTY SQUIRES HEAR ABOUT NEW TAX LAWS

Al Robinson, representative of the state equalization board, explained Monday to members of the county court, many features of the new state assessment and taxation laws. Mr. Robinson was in charge of the state appraisal, made last December in Shelby county and in many other West Tennessee counties.

He explained to the court that the taxpapers have these remedies if they believe they have been over-assessed by appeal to the tax assessor, the equalization

believe they have been over-assessed, by appeal to the tax assessor, the counligation board or to the state board. He also explained the automatic features of the law, by which the state tax will be reduced this year to about 25 cents, and that the county courts in every county can prevent high taxes by similarly reducing the county tax rate. BIDS ON ROAD WORK

MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED

The county commissioners opened several bids Monday at noon on new paying to be done on two of the county roads running south from the city limits. The bids were higher than anticipated and it may be that the work will be postponed on that account. The bids will be compared and a decision reached by the compared and a decision reached by the coming week.

The proposed paying is to be done on the southern extensions of South Lauderdale and Florida streets, and on North Seventh street. If the county carries out the plan, the city will repaye the streets to a connection with the new county work.

COTTON BELT RAILROAD ABOLISHES OFFICES

PINE BLUFF, Ark., April 5. (Spl.)—
It was asnounced here that the office of superintendent of telegraph, where it in the chirackeeps and seneral detection Belt system. The general manager will have more direct supervision over these departments than heretofore.

THE WEATHER

Twenty-four hours to noon April 5, Hour. Dry buib. Wet buib. Hussid'v
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30. Sun sets today 5:24 p.m. Pises tomorryw 5:24 a.m. Moon rise 349
p.m. sonight. No precipitation.

Tennessee-Fair with slowly rising temperature. Arkansas-Fair and not so coid: frost Mississippi-Fair and slowly rising temperature.

Kentucky-Fair with slowly rising temperature. Louisiana-Fair and not so cold; frost Oklahoma-Partly cloudy, rising temperature.

Florida—Fair and colder, probably frost in extreme north portion.

# ARGUMENTS BEGUN IN

Freedom, or the penitentiary—Fay E. Hazen will know which be-re the sun sets Tuesday night, in all probability. Argument in the ese opened at the start of the Monday afternoon session, with the ospect that it would last over until some time Tuesday morning. Evi-duce was concluded when court adjourned at 12:30 o'clock Monday, for

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aprist churches—First, 12; Labelle, 25; Rout-vield, 20; Calvary, 25; High-land toights, 37; 25; emore Avenue, 18; New South Memphis, 27; Seventh Street, 22; Union Avenue, 72; Temple,

FILES BILL FOR

STOCK YARDS MAY **CLOSE BECAUSE** 

Embargo Declared on Ship-

Plan To Forcibly Feed Woman Found At Memphis Depot

Weakened to the point of exhaustion because of lack of food, Mrs. Essie Saunders, 25, of Lambert, Miss., who became stranded Friday at the Grand Central depot owing to her mental con-dition, will be forcibly fed Monday night under directions of Mrs. Matilda Wallace, police realized. inght under directions of Mrs. Matilda Waliace, police matron, unless she ests by that time.

Although she continually complains of being hungry, the woman has eaten nothing since she was found at the depot Friday. Choice dishes, including ponched eggs, sandwiches, steaming coffee, milk and the like, are set before her to no avail.

P. D. Holder, 812 Vance avenue, an uncle, and J. W. West, of Lambert, Miss, reached her side Monday but took yards employes will be thrown ut of work tonight as a result of the trike of switchmen in the Chicago rail-

Bed.
Preparations are being made to administer food through the stomachump at the General hospital.
Mrs. Saunders, who got on a Y. & M. V. train at Craighead, Miss., in an apparently good condition, skipped her stop at Lambert, presumably due to loss of mind, and reached Memphis with only \$1.56 in her pocketbook. Accord-ing to West, Mrs. Saunders has not exhibited similar spells before.

**BIG CIGAR FIRM** 

Schulte Company Secures Memphis Locations to Open Stores.

Leare of the southwest and northwest home offices in New York and Chie became known Monday. The let have been closed with C. F. Farnew cowner of both corners. They are fo years, it is said, with renewal privite The Schulte company, according reliable information, intends placifiertail store on the corner now occur by the Weiss drug store, while on opposite corner the New York will establish headquarters for Southern distributing offices. The ter building is now the home of the

Frost and Freezing Temperatures Predicted for Mississippi Valley and East Gulf States.

WASHINGTON. April 5 — The storm which was central over the lower Ohio valley Sunday advanced northessward, divided and formed two centers of disturbance, the weather bureau reported today, one to the northward of Lake Ontario and the other over Virginia. These disturbances have been attended by general rains in the Atlantic states, rain changing to snow in the Ohio valley and show in the Central Mississippi valley.

Cold weather following in the wake of the disturbances and a pronounced cold wave has overspread practically all districts between the Appalachian and

### FRUIT MAY BE LOST THROUGH HEAVY FROST

Monday night is considered more critical in the Sunday night because the air will be calm, the ground has been chilled by cool weather for the last 24 hours and because the mercury did not reach its low level until after midnight Sunday night. Buds were somewhat relieved by sunshine Monday but the soil and all vegetation has been thoroughly chilled. Frosts which will kill all tender vegetation are predicted for Tennessee, Arkansas and as far south as tentral Mississippi.

The minimum temperature Monday night is expected to be close to freezing but Tucaday the cold spell is expected to pass. The cold was general through Sunday. Snow was reported at Chattanooga and Louisville, Parkersbur, Wal, and Pittsburgh, which are considerably further north, also reported snow.

Previous low temperature scale.

### Memphis are as follows: April 4, 1891, 32: April 25, 1910, 32: April 9, 1914, 32; April 1, 1915, 33, and April 9, 1918, 33. WEATHER CAUSES BIG ADVANCE IN COTTON

NEW YORK, April 5.—The cotton market was strong and excited at the quening here today when all deliveries made new high records for the season. Fog. continued rains and low lemperatures in the South over Easter Save rise to greater anxiety than here-tofore over the start of the new crop. Late months showed the greatest strength, December selling up to 24 20c a pound, or 118 points more than the float quotation last Thursday, when the cotton exchange closed for the holl-days. Later May mold at 40-46c, July to 37-73c and October to 24-81c.

PROBATION OFFICER LOUISIANA STRAWBERRY CROP IS THREATENED

### MAXIMUM STAGE 40.3 FEET; RIVER TO FALL SLOWLY

Arrival of the crest of the present flood in the Mississippi rive announced Monday by weather officials after the daily reading of the river gauge showed an increase of only .1 of a foot for the previous 24 hours. The maximum stage was 40.3 feet, a rise of .5 in 48 hours and

The river is expected to remain stationary for the next 24 hours after which it will fall slowly. The maximum stage at Helena is expected to be 50.5 feet and probably will pass the Arkansas city Thursday or Friday.

The only effect the present flood in the Cumberland and Te rivers is expected to have on the high stage in the Mississippi tard its fall.

districts between the Appsinchian and Rocky mountains, and this morning freezing temperatures were reported as far south as the interior of Texas, the north portions of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. The lowest temperature of record for this date was reported this morning in many points in the Missisippi valley and the middle plain states and the west gulf states.

The storm over the Middle Atlantic states is expected to move northeast-ward and be attended by rain and snow in that section and New England. Elsewhere east of the Mississippi river the forecast is for generally fair weather tonight and Tuesday.

A falling temperature tonight and tomorrow with a cold wave is predicted for Virginia, North and South Carolina and Southeast Georgia. Frost and freezing temperatures are probable tonight in the east gulf states, North and Southeast Georgia, extreme North Florida and Tennessee.

Storm wagnings are displayed on the Atlantic const and north of Jacksonville. Fig.

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Heavy deposits of driftwood have been passing the city during the past few days and Sunday a frame house, which is believed to have been swept from an island, was approaching Memphis when caught by the gale which was sweeping the river. The house was sweeping the river. The house was sweeping to the mouth of Wolf river, where it was caught in drifting timbers and held.

Logs, trees, parts of fences and underbrush continue to pass the city in heavy deposits.

Water has backed up in the region of take View until it covers the trade of the Yaxoo & Missisalrpi Valley rall-road for some distance, but has not chused any curtailment of service or

work on the steamer Barrett, of the government barge line, probably will be completed this week. The Idewild is undergoing repairs that will be completed by the time the river returns to its banks.

PASSES DANGER STAGE IN LOWER MISSISSIPPI

VICKSBURG, Miss., April 5.—Day and night patrolling of the levees in the Third Mississippi river district started Sunday when the high water in the Mississippi priver district started Sunday when the high water in the Mississippi passed the 45-foot was and the flood stage here.

The river continues to rise at the rate of seven-tenths of a foot each 24 hours and while a stage of 51 feet has been forecast for this point it is now believed that with the recent rains and the flooded condition of all tributary streams that a much higher mark will be reached. All of the government levee crews are at their stations and repairs are being made to all points damaged by the recent rains.

A large acreage of cultivated land personal effects to the city. Sacks have been shipped to every station on the levees and there is a large supply on hand here for emergency work.

All the lowlands are flooded from the recent heavy rains and as the stage in the Mississippi becomes higher the passage of the water will be delayed until the creat has passed.

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NEW ORLEANS, La., April b.—New crest stages in the Mississippi, computation of which was made necessary by NEW ORLEANS, April 5—The Louisiana strawberry crop, regarded as the
most valuable in several years is seriously threatened by the predicted frost
of fonisht, according to Dr. I. M. Cline.
district forecaster of the local weather
bureau. Growers in the Tangipahoa
district erre asvises in special warninter to core the fields with pine
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RECORD RAINFALL.

ARHERITEEN, Miss, April 5, (Spl.)—
The heaved raise for many years have failed here during the past few days, reaching hearly foor inches. There are many one believe the Tombighee river will be on a carnings by Saturday, as it was a few weeks ago. The farmers at twee much behind and unless they can get a few weeks good dry weather the access will be greatly out.

PLORENCE.

FIGURENCE, Als., April 5.—Snow fell briskly, at Florence for more than an but bour this morning with the thermal and an output the morning with the thermal and bour this morning with the thermal and being strengthened with thousands of sacks of said.

REACHES CHATTANOOGA

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. April 5—The crest in the rise of the Tennessee river was reached at 13 o'clock this morning, and it will remain stationary until 5 o'clock this evening when the waters will begin to recede. Reports from the upper river show that the waters are either stationary or falling indicatons are favorable for treesing weather and a killing frost tonight.

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clear weather was reported from all oscillons of the Mississippi valley Monday except in the Ohio region where there was a general but light rainfall. Conditions throughout the valley are favorable for a rapid passing of the flood and indicate that all danger of damage is over. Everywhere, except in the Ohio valley, the weather was in the Ohio valley, the weather was in the Ohio valley, the weather was confident that the levees can stand the stage forecast. At Kempe Bend, the bank has been caving, but as yet the levees are unaffected. Clear weather is now prevailing but in the Black, of the water is still rising on account of the recent rains and as there are no levels on these streams a large amount of clear and is expected to remain clear for

WATER OVER TRACKS OF N., C. & ST. L. RAILROAD

SOUTH PITTSBURG, Tenn., April 5.

—Sections of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis raffroad have been submerged by flood waters since last Friday and Jasper, Whitewell, Pikeville and other towns in the Sequatohie valley are still inaccessible. Many highways in Marion and other counties are covered with water three and four feet, deep and the damage will reach a heavy figure.

**CUMBERLAND STAGE 41.3** FEET AT NASHVILLE

FALLING AT KNOXVILLE KNOXVILLE, Tenn., April 5.—The Tennessee river here has fallen to 14 feet, which is 13 feet lower than the peak of the floodtide reached Saturday. All tributaries are receding. In the wake of the flood is considerable damage to farm lands and other property.

40 FAMILIES MAROONED. OMAHA, April 5.—Forty families, in an area comprising about two square filies in North Omaha, are corrected today by the fleoded Missouri river. The river is stationary.

MOVE MAY NOT HAVE DESIRED EFFECT

FARIS. April 5 — Military measures of the French destined to force the German government to withdraw its troops from the Ruhr basin are now entirely in the hands of Marshal Foch, it was said at the foreign office today.

It is advanced in some well-infremed quarters that occupation of Frankfort, Damistrell, Homburg and Hama is unlikely to exercise sufficient pressure upon the Germans, since they may well argue that this occupation is distasteful to the French as well as to themselves and and can not continue indefiful to the French as well as to them-selves and and can not continue indefi-nitely. On the other hand the expens-of the operation comes up as a vital question in the present state of French finances. The newspapers recall war tributes imposed by German troops upon French and Belgian cities, and sug-gest similar measures being applied to German cities occupied by French troops.

German cities occupied by French troops.

No consorship has been established here on news of the intended operation, but since the matter now is entirely in the hands of Marshai Foch, communications from the army probably will be surrounded with the usual precautions, sithough the operation is not considered on a basis of war.

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RISING FOOT

A DAY AT NATCHEZ NATCHEZ, Miss. April 5.—The rate of rise in the Mississippi here has increased to a foot a day and the gauge here last night stands at 534, with a stage of 51 feet expected which will be clore to the high-water mark.

The government fleet is fully prepared and can reach any point in the district would offer no objection to the movement of German record into the novement of German record into the volument fleet is fully prepared and can reach any point in the district within a few hours. Engineers mist.

CONTINUE REVIVAL

Rev. Chen Cox, president of the association, presided, and the attendance was large.

So great was the interest in the recovery of the control of the contro

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With 25 churches yet to hear from, 1,300 additions to the churches have been reported. The number of new members received that have reported the equipment, including the motorized 155-millimeter heavy field pieces, will be issued.
Capt. Shea will pick his 25 noncommissioned officers from the ranks of those who enlist in the next aw days.
Recruiting officers are stationed at the armory. Main and Washington, ach day from 2:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. be issued.

FACE SERIOUS CHARGES

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Methodist churches—First, 92; Madison Heights, 77; 8t. John's 51; 8t. Paul.
55; Mississippi Boulevard, 26; Union Avenue, 92; Pepper Memorial, 30; Galloway Memorial, 48; Harris Memorial, 62; Chelses Avenue, 26; Vertion Memorial, 65; Trinity, 5; Binghamton, 14; Washington Heights, 41.

Fresbyterian churches—Second, 20; Idlewild, 66; Evergreen, 27; McLemore Avenue, 16; Westminster, 1; Associate Reformed, 10; Court Avenue, 22. Charged with highway robbery and with being drunk and disorderly, Gas Brewer, 42, farmer, and G. E. Berry, 20, merchant, both prominent citizens of Mineral Wells, Miss., are locked up in the city jail, and were to face City Judge Barker late Monday. Officers who arrested them Sunday night say they were caught in the act of robbing a perro. negro.

Both men enter vigorous denials o

FILES BLL FOR

North and South Carolina and Georgia—Fair and much colder. Cold wave in east and central portions of the Carolinas and in southeast portion of Georgia.

Alabama—Fair and slowly rising temperature.

Fiorida—Fair and colder, probably frest in extreme north portion.

East Texas—Fair, rising temperature.

East Texas—Fair in dwarmer except in southwest portion.

Fig. 3. 1919, for the sale of land, in which he alleges that he acted as agent. He brings up another sale in his bill, which names as defendants J. P. James, Allem L. McRae, C. W. Hurlburt, Union and Planters Bank and Trust company, Peter G. Grant and W. V. Griffin.

Fig. 3. 1919 of the sale of land, in which names as defendants J. P. James, Allem L. McRae, C. W. Hurlburt, Union and Planters Bank and Trust company, Peter G. Grant and W. V. Griffin.

Fruits From Two Weeks' Campaign Will Be Added to By Quiet But Unified Effort By Local Ministers for Six Weeks More.

has been caused by an 'outlaw' organization which has presented demands for rates of pay that already had been presented to the railroad organizations by the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Switchmen's Union of North America.

"These demands are being handled by the wage conference at Washington

Although the concerted revival effort of the Protestant churches of the city formally came to a close Sunday night, the evangelistic effort of the ministers is to continue in a quiet way for six weeks, closing with special services in all churches on Mother's day, according to a plan subspecial services in all churches on Mother's day, according to a plan subspecial services in all churches on Mother's day, according to a plan subspecial services in the Protestant Pastors' association by D. M. Crawford, director of the citywide church survey, and unanimously industry of the Association at its meeting Monday at the Y. M. C. A.

Rev. Ben Cox, president of the association, presided, and the attendance was large.

So great was the interest in the revival at Union Avenue Methodist church that it was decided to continue in meeting into this week, Rev. J. J. Thomas, the pastor, announced Evangelist Q. E. Hobbs, of Louisville, and Rev. Curwen Henley, of Illinois, gong leader, will remain with Dr. Thomas uptil the end of the meeting. Seventy-live in the recipital traffic departments has been to city for the two big fanious have declared the strike "lilegal," ordered the strike. The trouble broke days ago, switchmen in the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad going on strike. Illinois Central and the Northwestern next were decided to continue in the chicago of the chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad going on strike. Illinois Central and the Northwestern next were decided to continue in the chicago of the strike spreading to the other railroads yet to be named by the president.

The Chicago switching district varies of the decided to

The condition of R. B. Byrum, lumber gang foreman, of Burdette, Ark, who wash shot from ambush, was reported as more favorable Monday by nurses at the General hospital, where he was brought for attention to wounds in his head. Physicians are hopeful of his recovery.

The wounded man became partially conscious at intervals Sunday and was even more lucid Monday.

He was fired upon at 12:30 a.m. Friday when someone called him to the door of his tent.

Instant of addressing the Tennessee Rankers' association on May 11 on "Cotton," as first contemplated, Theory association on New York, will talk on "Sin of Over-Conservation in Banking, according to an announcement made Monday by L. Chumes, chairman of the poval committee on program.

Byrum from continuing work on the construction of a building at 1311-21 Madison avenue. McDonald alleges that the two leased the ground from him and his contention in his declaration is that the construction work is a nuisance, which he wishes the court to abate.

quarters here for Southern territory will bring to Memphis the biggest concern of the kind south of the Oblo river. Rumor recently connected the Win-chester Arms company with the deal-for the Farnsworth building. Irby Ben-nett, Southern agent for the Winchester people, Monday stated that his com-pany intends locating a retail store here in about a year but that no lo-cation yet had been decided on. uarters here for Southern territe

POSTOFFICE GARAGE

Bids for a garage to be used in stor-ing automobiles h the mail distribu-tion and collection service, were to be opened Monday rith the arrival from Washington of George C. Baker, super-intendent of motor vehicle service. Mr. Baker will receive bids at the post-office and will have headquarters in the office of C. W. Metcalf, Jr., post-master. the office of C. W. Metcalf, Jr., post-master.

The autos will be put in service here July 1 and will augment collection of mail in the residential sections. The requirements are that the garage should be at least 10,000 square feet. Requirements do not call for a downtown place as Postmaster Retentf said locations of a mile or more from the postoffice would be considered. About 25 care will be put in the in this new newtor. This number, ad-ording to postal authorities, will be increased if the mails

Miss Ada Turner, who since the first of the year has been Mayor Paine's private secretary will be appointed chief probation officer of the juvenile court May I, when Mrs. Alice Saxby court May 1, when Mrs. Alice Saxoy leaves that office.
Miss Turner is in every way qualified for the position, having been a social worker for some years. She served abroad with the Red Cross canteen service during the war and before the United States enteed to carflet had been at the head of several was organizations in Memphis, in which she displayed great executive ability.

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of ad cents is provided, for example, received about \$55,000 from direct taxation last year, and want \$1,400,000.

The police and fire department appropriations for \$123 were \$45,000. The
year \$75,432 from the policy of t